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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eric N. Olson

Jeffrey A. Spencer

Serial No.: 09/908,988

Filed: July 18, 2001

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR
STABILIZING MICROTUBULES AND
INTERMEDIATE FILAMENTS IN
STRIATED MUSCLE CELLS

Group Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: William W. Moore

Atty. Dkt. No.: MYOG:028US

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 28, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including May 28, 2003 in which to respond to the Office Action dated January 28, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$55.00) for a one-month extension of time.

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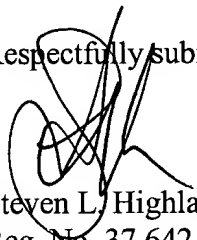
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Respectfully submitted,



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